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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

Applicants' note that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 8, 2003 for this application was sent in error. Thus, the above Serial No. 10/620,902 is the correct one for this application.

Cited in the attached PTO-1449 are U.S. Patent Nos. 3,235,474; 4,901,081; 5,637,285; 5,628,894; and 6,010,605. Also enclosed are Japanese Publication Nos. 09-221307 and 2002-201011 as well as an article titled "Nitrogen trifluoride by direct synthesis" Chemical Engineering, December 15, 1977 Pgs. 116-117.

It is applicants' belief that none of the above citations describe that which is claimed in the present invention.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action no petition or fee is required.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

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